

Lafayette County's Older Population

Social and Economic Characteristics

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| | Lafayette County | | Wisconsin |
|--|------------------|---------|-----------|
| Household Income (Householder Age 65+) | | Percent | Percent |
| Income less than \$35,000 | 1,265 | 72.2% | 65.2% |
| Income less than \$50,000 | 1,483 | 84.6% | 80.4% |

| Persons 65+ with Incomes Below Poverty Level | Number | Percent | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|---------|
| Below Poverty | 233 | 9.4% | 7.4% |
| Below 2.0 x Poverty | 888 | 35.8% | 29.6% |

| Median Income: Comparing Age Groups | | Dollars | Dollars |
|-------------------------------------|--|----------|----------|
| Total (Householders of all ages) | | \$37,220 | \$43,791 |
| Householder 65 to 74 years | | \$28,125 | \$31,328 |
| Householder 75 years and over | | \$18,390 | \$21,046 |

| Employment Status: Persons Age 65+ | Number | Percent | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|---------|
| Males Employed in Civilian Labor Force | 355 | 32.5% | 17.7% |
| Females Employed in Civilian Labor Force | 211 | 14.5% | 9.3% |

| Educational Attainment: Persons Age 65+ | Number | Percent | Percent |
|--|--------|---------|---------|
| 65+; Less than 9th grade | 524 | 20.5% | 17.8% |
| 65+; 9th to 12th grade; no diploma | 324 | 12.7% | 15.5% |
| 65+; High school graduate (includes equivalency) | 1,164 | 45.6% | 38.2% |
| 65+; Some college; no Bachelor's degree | 308 | 12.1% | 13.7% |
| 65+, Bachelor's degree or more | 230 | 9.0% | 12.7% |

| Marital Status: Persons Age 65+ | Number | Percent | Percent |
|---------------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|
| Never married | 158 | 6.2% | 4.7% |
| Married | 1,369 | 53.7% | 52.9% |
| Separated | 129 | 5.1% | 5.2% |
| Widowed | 809 | 31.7% | 31.3% |
| Divorced | 85 | 3.3% | 5.9% |
| Males , 65 and over, married | 783 | 71.8% | 71.3% |
| Females , 65 and over, married | 586 | 40.2% | 39.9% |

| Disability Status, Persons Age 65+ | Number | Percent | Percent |
|---|--------|---------|---------|
| Persons 65 or older with any disability | 894 | 36.0% | 36.5% |
| With a sensory disability | 261 | 10.5% | 11.9% |
| With a physical disability | 597 | 24.1% | 24.1% |
| With a mental disability | 174 | 7.0% | 7.6% |
| With a self-care disability | 183 | 7.4% | 7.5% |
| With a go-outside-home disability | 434 | 17.5% | 17.7% |
| Age 65+, with disability and income below poverty level | 127 | 14.2% | 10.6% |